

March 24, 2009

Linda Warren Technology Coordinator Lexington School District Four 607 E. Fifth Street Swansea, SC 29160

Dear Linda:

This letter is to acknowledge receipt, review, and approval of the Lexington School District Four technology plan update for 2005–10. I have enclosed the Certification of Technology Plan and Approval for South Carolina Public Schools for your records. I have also updated the State Department of Education Web page to reflect this approval.

I will fax a copy of this letter and the certification to Betsy Smoak at the CIO's Office where your plan is housed. She will file it with the other E-rate documents for you.

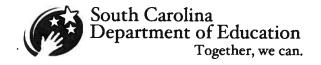
Thank you for furnishing this plan update for review.

Sincerely,

Gary West

CIO

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## CERTIFICATION OF TECHNOLOGY PLAN AND APPROVAL FOR SC PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR UNIVERSAL SERVICE PROGRAM (E-RATE)

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and criteria outlined in the following checklist for Universal Service Fund Participation.	
Date approved: $3/23/09$ This a	pproval expires: 6 / 30 / 2010
Authority: Gary V	West, Chief Information Officer
The district technology plan must be updated and resubmitted prior to the expiration date.	
Checklist:	
Successful technology plans align the overall education service improvement objectives with the following five criteria. To qualify as an approved Technology Plan for a Universal Service Program discount, the plan must meet these criteria. It is critical that technology planning not be viewed as a separate exercise dealing primarily with hardware and telecommunications infrastructure. There must be connection between the proposed physical infrastructure of the information technology and the plan for professional development, curriculum reform, and service improvements.  The plan establishes clear goals and a realistic strategy for using telecommunications and information technology to improve education or library services.  The plan has a professional development strategy to ensure that staff knows how to use the new technologies to improve education.	
The plan includes an assessment of the tel software, and other services that will be needed to in	ecommunications services, hardware, mprove education.
The plan provides for a sufficient budget to acquire and main the hardware, software, professional development, and other services that will be needed to implement the strategy for improved education.	
The plan includes an evaluation process that enables the district and its schools to monitor progress toward the specified goals and make mid-course corrections in response to new developments and opportunities as they arise.	